ORDINANCE 00-08

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A NO PARKING ZONE ON THE EAST AND WEST SIDE OF CASIAS LANE THOUGHOUT THE SCHOOL BUS TRAFFIC ZONE, AND PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Somerset, Texas:

SECTION 1

That the east and west side of Casias Lane on the side of the Somerset Elementary School so designated by the posting of "No Parking" signs be set aside for the purpose of safely transporting students in school buses.

SECTION 2

Casias Lane to be marked with "No Parking" signs and the "No Parking" area shall be the area along the east and west side of Casias Lane, between the signs. The "No Parking" restriction shall be in effect at all times.

SECTION 3 (Definitions)

School Bus Means a vehicle used primarily to transport persons to or from school or in connection with school activities. All school buses shall be properly marked.

<u>Vehicle</u> means every devise in or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a public highway

Motor Vehicle Means every motor vehicle as herein defined, that is self- propelled.

<u>Commercial Motor Vehicle</u> Means any motor vehicle (other than a motorcycle or passenger car) designed or used primarily for the transportation of property, including any passenger car, which has been reconstructed so as to be used, and which is being used, primarily for delivery purposes, with the exception of passenger cars used in the delivery of the U. S. mail.

<u>Passenger Car</u> means any motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, golf cart, or a bus, designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons.

SECTION 4

That any vehicle stopped, parked, stalled, abandoned, or otherwise found in this "No Parking" zone is in violation of this ordinance, and may be issued a citation and may further be towed and impounded and the owner subject to the penalties established in Section 6 of this ordinance.

SECTION 5 - Severability

If for any reason any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or provision of this or any other ordinance shall be held invalid, it shall not affect any valid provision of this or any other ordinance of the City of Somerset to which this ordinance applies.

SECTION 6 - Penalty

Any person, club, organization, firm, corporation whether private, commercial or civic, violating the terms of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a Class C misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined a sum not to exceed two hundred dollars (\$200.00).

SECTION 7 – Emergency

By reason of the urgent necessity for the safety of children loading or unloading school buses or otherwise walking to or from school in this are and for the preservation of that safety, this ordinance shall become effective on the first day of school, August 7, 2000.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 15 day of August, 2000

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY SECRETARY